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SUBJECT: Adoption of Commercial EDI Standards for DoD Logistics Business
Transactions - Integrated Product Team (IPT)

Attached for your review and comment are draft minutes and actions that resulted from the June 21, 2000 EDI IPT meeting. Subject to comment, the EDI IPT Chairman will approve these minutes and actions on July 21, 2000. Point of contact is Mr. George Kingsley, (703) 767-0068, george_kingsley@hq.dla.mil.

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Attachments:

1. Minutes of Meeting
2. Attendees
3. Action Items



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Minutes

Adoption of Commercial EDI Standards for DoD Logistics Business Transactions

Integrated Product Team (IPT)

June 21, 2000

Welcome, meeting overview, and administrative remarks: The meeting commenced with the Chairman thanking everyone for attending. Administrative announcements, introductions, and a review of the agenda were presented.

Refocusing/transitioning the IPT:

The Director, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics) (Logistics Systems Modernization) (DUSD(L)(LSM)) presented an overview of the current DoD Logistics vision and the direction that DoD is taking to realize this vision. The focus of the vision is on modernizing the foundation (governance process, product data (system structure and logistics operations), and portfolio management on which the logistics warfighting applications rest. The mechanism for institutionalizing this effort is at the direction of the Under Secretary of Defense Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics (USD[AT&L]) with the establishment of a peer group from the acquisition, command, control, communications and intelligence/DoD Chief Information Office, and logistics communities. This group (Logistics Foundation Steering Group [LFSG]) is a three-star equivalent body chartered to accelerate the DoD logistics modernization effort. The LFSG brings about change by charting the direction of DoD logistics and is requesting that the EDI IPT serve as a sounding board in the areas of DoD logistics data management and eXtensible Markup Language (XML). Specifically, the IPT would ensure that future concepts of operations for these areas are sound and complementary to the work accomplished/ongoing by the EDI IPT.

After the DUSD(L)(LSM) departed, the Chairman continued the discussion regarding transitioning the EDI IPT to address tasks derived from the LFSG initiative. There was some push back:

- The Air Force was most vocal, stating the draft amended charter: was mistitled, did not describe definitive deliverables, did not define an acceptable termination strategy or “trigger”, and did not take into account the makeup of the current IPT.
- The other attendees generally supported the Air Force position that working LFSG issues is beyond the purview of the DRID #48 IPT.

The Chairman then pointed out that the Logistics Information Requirements Review Counsel (LIRRC) and the Logistics Information Board (LIB) members had copies of the revised Charter for review. To date he had concurrence from the Army, Defense Information Systems Command (DISA), and DUSD(L) Maintenance Policy, Programs and Resources (MPP&R). The Chairman presumed the LIB and LFSG would ultimately decide whether to transition the IPT. To that end, the Chairman directed the following actions:

- Revise the charter to include definitive deliverables and a closeout “trigger” and staff with the EDI IPT membership

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- Develop an alternate plan-of-action to support the LFSG initiative if the DRID #48 IPT is not the solution.

Information Briefings:

In keeping with the Chairman's policy of providing information briefings on topics that effect or are related to the EDI effort, the following briefings were given and are synopsized below. Note: Copies of all meeting briefings are posted on the EDI IPT website (<http://www.log.edi.migration.hq.dla.mil/>).

XML Update: The Logistics Management Institute (LMI) provided an XML opportunities and challenges update. XML continues to show promise as the next logical evolution in the information delivery arena. XML provides great opportunities for the expansion of web-based technologies, but remains hamstrung by the lack of definitive standards by universally accepted standards bodies.

American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12/XML Update: The Joint Electronic Commerce Program Office (JECPO) provided an update on the compatibility of ASC X12 and XML. The briefing focused on practical applications of XML primarily for web-based applications and how ASC X12 is the logical solution for machine-to-machine EDI for the foreseeable future.

Logistics Data Administration: This briefing was presented as a result of the recent movement of the DoD Logistics Functional Data Administrator position to the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), Defense Logistics Management Standards Office (DLMSO) from DUSD(L). This initiative creates a direct link between logistics data management and the logistics change process. In addition, the briefing covered a number of data management challenges and opportunities.

DoD Supply Chain Trading Exchanges: A high-level briefing was provided with the purpose of informing the EDI IPT that this topic was gaining momentum within DoD/the civil sector. The briefing illustrated a few conceptual application possibilities and a timeline showing upcoming briefings to USD(AT&L) and DUSD(L).

Component Plan Development Status:

Component	Status
Army	Experiencing organizational problems; expected to complete plan on time – plan will focus on LOGMOD (wholesale), GCCS-A (retail), and TC-AIMS
Navy	Experiencing organizational problems; expected to complete plan on time – at this time, plan will focus only on NAVSUP
Air Force	No significant problems; expected to complete plan on time
Marine Corps	Experiencing organizational problems; interested in DLMS training; plan will be completed on time
TRANSCOM	No significant problems; expected to complete plan on time
DLA	No significant problems; expected to complete plan on time
DFAS	No significant problems; expected to complete plan on time
DSCA	No significant problems; expected to complete plan on time

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Implementation Support Status: The Chairman reviewed the current implementation status. As a guide for this discussion, selected responsibilities, actions, and milestones from Appendix C of the corporate implementation plan were highlighted. A discussion ensued regarding Item 43 “Designate to DLMSO a single migration POC”. The membership was concerned whether this related to the implementation phase (post-Component plan development) or now. The Chairman stated that a Component POC was required to work with DLMSO on synchronizing implementation after the Component plans are complete.

Wrap-up: The meeting concluded with the Chairman thanking all attendees for their participation and suggesting that if the group is not tasked to work LFSG actions, one more IPT meeting should suffice before the Component plans are completed. Tentative timeframe for that meeting: late August/early September. The Chairman also mentioned that he would suggest to the LIB Chairman that Component implementation status should be included as a LIB agenda item.

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Ms. Tuck	Mr. Crawford	Mr. Alsup	Ms. Matsumoto
Ms. White		Mr. Carlson	
<i>LMI</i>	<i>DLA</i>	<i>TRANSCOM</i>	<i>DLMSO/JECPO</i>
Ms. Hopfe	Ms. Broussard	MAJ Goodrich	Mr. Hall
Ms. Pelgrim		Mr. Bowman	Mr. Yeakel
		Mr. Creedon	Mr. Obey
<i>DFAS</i>	<i>DSCA</i>	<i>NIMA</i>	Lt Col Modell
Ms. Abejuela	Mr. Freedenthal	Mr. Mikelsen	Ms. Savage
Ms. Hughes	Mr. Goldstein		Ms. Johnson
Ms. Lehtma			Mr. Thomas
<i>DAASC</i>	<i>Coast Guard</i>	<i>DISA</i>	Mr. Kingsley
Mr. Bailey	LTJG Mason	Mr. Vessell	Mr. Gower
Mr. Brown		Mr. Kye	Mr. Lewis
	<i>JCS-J4</i>	<i>DUSD(L)(LSM)</i>	Mr. St. Mark
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Action List

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<i>Number</i>	<i>Action/Comments</i>	<i>Suspense</i>	<i>Lead</i>
1-6-23-00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Revise charter to include definitive deliverables and a closeout “trigger”.▪ Develop an alternate plan-of-action to support the LFSG initiative if the DRID #48 IPT is not the solution.	6/27/00	Chairman
2-6-23-00	Obtain USD AT&L memo establishing the LFSG – post to EDI IPT website	6/30/00	Chairman
3-6-23-00	Develop schedule for Components to brief LIB on implementation status	6/27/00	Chairman